Subject: Early 18th century
wax seal for land grants--
mending of.

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Secretary,
American Numismatic Society,
New York.

Dear Sir:

We have an early 18th century wax seal, of the kind appended to land grants, which is broken in two pieces. Can you recommend a responsible person or firm to whom the mending of this seal can be entrusted? I was referred to you by the Librarian of Congress.

I shall appreciate any suggestion or advice you may give.

Very truly yours,

R. D. Meriwether.

January 19, 1934.

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Dear Sir:

We have absolutely no experience in mending wax seals nor do we know of anyone who has had. If we had one to mend we would probably try to mend it with a liquid transparent cement, but before doing so we would probably do some experimenting. If your wax seal is of yellow bee's wax we would get some bee's wax as near like it as possible and break it in half and see how it would mend. If it is in a material that approaches sealing wax we would experiment in the same way.

Very truly yours,

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Curator